(c) Tariffs of Telecom services are fixed TRAI, under Section 11 (2) of TRAI Act, 1997 as amended by TRAI (Amendment) Act, 2000, and Government no longer fixes any tariff for telecom services.

(d) Does not arise in view of (c) above.

E-mail/internet/computer facilities in rural post offices of Andhra Pradesh

905. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether e-mail, internet and computer facilities have been made available in rural post offices of Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof, district-wise; and

(c) if answer to part (a) be in the negative, what efforts are being made by Government to provide these facilities in rural post offices of the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SANJAY PASWAN): (a) and (b) No rural Post Offices in Andhra Pradesh has been provided with e-mail, internet and computer facilities.

(c) Keeping in view the resources available and the need for optimal utilization of the computers, at present there is no proposal to provide the facilities in all important Post Offices of rural areas in the State within a fixed time limit.

Computerised post offices in Andhra Pradesh

906. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Head Post Offices and other Post Offices which have been computerized in Andhra Pradesh, district-wise;

(b) the head post offices and other post offices which would be computerized during the current financial year in the State; and